

Code for Arduino Radar with Simulink

1. Code

This is an updated and optimized version of the original Arduino Radar project, now compatible with different screen resolutions. The visualization can be adapted by modifying the values in the `size()` function according to the desired display resolution. The original concept was developed by Dejan Nedelkovski, and the current version has been updated and further improved by Rexhep Mustafovski.

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/* Arduino Radar Project
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 * Updated version. Fits any screen resolution!
 * Just change the values in the size() function,
 * with your screen resolution.
 *
 * by Dejan Nedelkovski, updated by Rexhep Mustafovski
 */
import processing.serial.*; // imports library for serial communication
import java.awt.event.KeyEvent; // imports library for reading the data from the serial
port
import java.io.IOException;
Serial myPort; // defines Object Serial
// defubes variables
String angle="";
String distance="";
String data="";
String noObject;
float pixsDistance;
float Razmer; //
int iAngle, iDistance;
int index1=0;
int index2=0;
int pravec=1;
PFont orcFont;
void setup() {
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fullScreen(); //

Razmer = (height-height*0.21)*0.025; //

smooth();
myPort = new Serial(this,"COM3", 115200); // starts the serial communication
myPort.bufferUntil('.'); // reads the data from the serial port up to the character '!'. So
actually it reads this: angle,distance.
  orcFont = loadFont("OCRAExtended-30.vlw");

}
void draw() {

  fill(98,245,31);
  textFont(orcFont);
  // simulating motion blur and slow fade of the moving line
  noStroke();
  fill(0,5);
  rect(0, 0, width, height-height*0.065);

  fill(98,245,31); // green color
  // calls the functions for drawing the radar
  drawRadar();
  drawLine();
  drawObject();
  drawText();

}
void serialEvent (Serial myPort) { // starts reading data from the Serial Port
  // reads the data from the Serial Port up to the character '.' and puts it into the String
variable "data".
  data = myPort.readStringUntil('.');
  data = data.substring(0,data.length()-1);

  index1 = data.indexOf(","); // find the character ',' and puts it into the variable "index1"

  angle= trim(data.substring(0, index1)); // read the data from position "0"
to position of the variable index1 or thats the value of the angle the Arduino Board sent
into the Serial Port

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distance= trim(data.substring(index1+1, data.length())); // read the data from position
"index1" to the end of the data pr thats the value of the distance
// new updated trimmed data

// converts the String variables into Integer
iAngle = int(angle);
iDistance = int(distance);
}
void drawRadar() {
  pushMatrix();
  translate(width/2,height-height*0.074); // moves the starting coordinats to new location
  noFill();
  strokeWeight(2);
  stroke(98,245,31);
  // draws the arc lines

  arc(0,0,2*40*Razmer,2*40*Razmer,PI,TWO_PI); // New updated formulas
  arc(0,0,2*30*Razmer,2*30*Razmer,PI,TWO_PI);
  arc(0,0,2*20*Razmer,2*20*Razmer,PI,TWO_PI);
  arc(0,0,2*10*Razmer,2*10*Razmer,PI,TWO_PI);

  // draws the angle lines
  line(-width/2,0,width/2,0);
  line(0,0,(-width/2)*cos(radians(30)),(-width/2)*sin(radians(30)));
  line(0,0,(-width/2)*cos(radians(60)),(-width/2)*sin(radians(60)));
  line(0,0,(-width/2)*cos(radians(90)),(-width/2)*sin(radians(90)));
  line(0,0,(-width/2)*cos(radians(120)),(-width/2)*sin(radians(120)));
  line(0,0,(-width/2)*cos(radians(150)),(-width/2)*sin(radians(150)));
  line((-width/2)*cos(radians(30)),0,width/2,0);
  popMatrix();
}
void drawObject() {
  pushMatrix();
  translate(width/2,height-height*0.074); // moves the starting coordinats to new location
  strokeWeight(9);
  stroke(255,10,10); // red color

  pixsDistance = iDistance*Razmer; // converts the distance from the sensor from cm to
  pixels

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// limiting the range to 40 cms
if(iDistance<40){
  // draws the object according to the angle and the distance

  line(pixsDistance*cos(radians(iAngle)),-
pixsDistance*sin(radians(iAngle)),40*Razmer*cos(radians(iAngle)),-
40*Razmer*sin(radians(iAngle))); // new updated line

  popMatrix();
}
void drawLine() {
  pushMatrix();
  strokeWeight(9);
  stroke(30,250,60);
  translate(width/2,height-height*0.074); // moves the starting coordinats to new location
  line(0,0,40*Razmer*cos(radians(iAngle)),-40*Razmer*sin(radians(iAngle))); // new
updated line
  popMatrix();
}
void drawText() { // draws the texts on the screen

  pushMatrix();
  if(iDistance>40) {
    noObject = "Out of Range";
  }
  else {
    noObject = "In Range";
  }
  fill(0,0,0);
  noStroke();
  rect(0, height-height*0.0648, width, height);
  fill(98,245,31);
  textSize(25);

  text("10cm",width/2+7*Razmer,height-height*0.0833);
  text("20cm",width/2+17*Razmer,height-height*0.0833);
  text("30cm",width/2+27*Razmer,height-height*0.0833);
  text("40cm",width/2+37*Razmer,height-height*0.0833);

  textSize(40);

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text("Object: " + noObject, width-width*0.875, height-height*0.0277);
text("Angle: " + iAngle + " ", width-width*0.48, height-height*0.0277);
text("Distance: ", width-width*0.26, height-height*0.0277);
if(iDistance<40) {
text("      " + iDistance + " cm", width-width*0.225, height-height*0.0277);
}
textSize(25);
fill(98,245,60);
translate((width-width*0.4994)+width/2*cos(radians(30)),(height-height*0.0907)-
width/2*sin(radians(30)));
rotate(-radians(-60));
text("30",0,0);
resetMatrix();
translate((width-width*0.503)+width/2*cos(radians(60)),(height-height*0.0888)-
width/2*sin(radians(60)));
rotate(-radians(-30));
text("60",0,0);
resetMatrix();
translate((width-width*0.507)+width/2*cos(radians(90)),(height-height*0.0833)-
width/2*sin(radians(90)));
rotate(radians(0));
text("90",0,0);
resetMatrix();
translate(width-width*0.513+width/2*cos(radians(120)),(height-height*0.07129)-
width/2*sin(radians(120)));
rotate(radians(-30));
text("120",0,0);
resetMatrix();
translate((width-width*0.5104)+width/2*cos(radians(150)),(height-height*0.0574)-
width/2*sin(radians(150)));
rotate(radians(-60));
text("150",0,0);
popMatrix();
}

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Explanation:

The Processing program is responsible for receiving serial data from the Arduino Mega 2560 and generating a real-time radar visualization interface. The code establishes serial communication at 115200 baud rate and continuously reads structured data transmitted in the format:

angle,distance.

The `serialEvent()` function parses the incoming string, separates the angle and distance values using the comma as a delimiter, and converts them from string format into integer variables (`iAngle` and `iDistance`). These variables are then used for graphical representation.

The `setup()` function initializes the full-screen display, defines the scaling factor for radar drawing, enables smooth rendering, and loads the custom font used for the interface.

The `draw()` function runs continuously and refreshes the radar display. It simulates the radar scanning effect by applying a slight fading background and repeatedly calling dedicated drawing functions.

The `drawRadar()` function creates the static radar background, including circular distance arcs (10 cm, 20 cm, 30 cm, 40 cm) and angular reference lines from 0° to 180°.

The `drawLine()` function represents the rotating radar beam based on the current angle received from the Arduino.

The `drawObject()` function displays detected objects. If the measured distance is less than 40 cm, the object is drawn in red at the corresponding polar coordinate position converted into screen coordinates.

The `drawText()` function displays system information such as object status (In Range or Out of Range), current angle, and measured distance.

Overall, the code transforms real-time ultrasonic sensor measurements into a dynamic radar-style graphical interface, simulating the behavior of a conventional short-range radar system.